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SUBJECT : MINI WATERGATE IN LYON ?

IN THE INCREASING HEAT OF THE LYON S MUNICIPAL ELECTION  
CAMPAIGNING THIS WEEK S BURGLARY OF THE VALLON COMPANY,  
WHERE THE POLITICAL HEADQUARTERS OF SENATORS  
COLLOMB AND VALLON ARE HOUSED, IS CAUSING QUITE A STIR IN  
THE CITY S LEADING CIRCLES. IN ADDITION TO THE OFFICE OF  
MR. BAILLY, KEY ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO BOTH COLLOMB  
AND VALLON, THE P.R.A.D.E.L. ASSOCIATION ALSO HAS ITS  
HEAD OFFICE IN THE VALLON SILK PRINTING FIRM. THE  
P.R.A.D.E.L. ASSOCIATION, FOUNDED BY MAYOR PRADEL, WHO  
DIED SIX WEEKS AGO, IS THE OFFICIAL MUNICIPAL CAMPAIGN  
HEADQUARTERS OF THE MAJORITY GROUP CURRENTLY HEADED BY  
SENATOR/MAYOR FRANCISQUE COLLOMB.

LOCAL PRESS AND OBSERVERS SPECULATE WHETHER THE SEARCH OF  
THE PREMISES AND THE BREAKING OF A SAFE CONSTITUTE  
A MINI-WATERGATE WITH A SIMILAR PLUMBERS GANG OR ONLY  
A MINOR BURGLARY. AN ACTUAL AMOUNT OF MONEY MISSING IS  
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REPORTER TO AMOUNT TO SOME 200 FRANCS AND THE RENSEIGNEMENTS  
GENERAUX AND POLICE JUDICIAIRE INVESTIGATORS ( ROUGHLY FBI  
EQUIVALENTS) HAVE NO OFFICIALLY ENTERED THE CASE. LYON S  
LEADING DAILY, LE PROGRESS, WONDERS ABOUT THIS SURPRISING  
LACK OF INTEREST AND FEELS THAT MANY QUESTIONS REMAIN  
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